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#### 88TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

## H. R. 9213

#### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 21, 1963

Mr. Harsha introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service

### A BILL

- To promote ethical standards of conduct among Members of Congress and officers and employees of the United States, and for other purposes.
- Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 That this Act may be cited as the "Government Ethical
- 4 Standards Act of 1963."
- 5 DISCLOSURE OF INCOME AND FINANCIAL INTERESTS
- 6 SEC. 2. (a) Each Member of the Senate and the House
- 7 of Representatives (including the Resident Commissioner),
- 8 each civil or military officer, and each employee of the execu-
- 9 tive or legislative branch of the Government of the United
- 10 States or any department or agency thereof who is com-

1	pensated at a rate in excess of \$14,000 per annum shall file
2	annually, and each individual who is a candidate of a political
3	party in a general election for the office of Senator or Repre-
4	sentative, or Resident Commissioner in the House of Repre-
5	sentatives but who, at the time he becomes a candidate for
6	such office, with the Comptroller General a report containing
7	a full and complete statement of—
8	(1) the amount and source of each item of income,
9	each item of reimbursement for any expenditure, and
10	each gift or aggregate of gifts from one source (other
11	than gifts received from any relative or his spouse) re-
12	ceived by him or by him and his spouse jointly during
13	the preceding calendar year which exceeds \$100 in
14	amount or value: including any fee or other honorarium
15	received by him for or in connection with the prepara-
16	tion or delivery of any speech or address, attendance
17	at any convention or other assembly of individuals, or
18	the preparation of any article or other composition for
19	publication, and the monetary value of subsistence, en-
20	tertainment, travel, and other facilities received by him
21	in kind;
22	(2) the value of each asset held by him, or by his
23	spouse jointly, and the amount of each liability owned
24	by him, or by him and his spouse jointly, as of the close
25	of the preceding calendar year;

1	(3) all dealings in securities or commodities by
2	him, or by him and his spouse jointly, or by any per-
3	son acting on his behalf or pursuant to his direction
4	during the preceding calendar year; and
5	(4) all purchases and sales of real property or
6	any interest therein by him, or by him and his spouse
7	jointly, or by any person acting on his behalf or pur-
8	suant to his direction, during the preceding calendar
9	year.
10	(b) Except as hereinbefore provided, reports required
11	by this section (other than reports so required by candi-
12	dates of political parties) shall be filed not later than April
<b>1</b> 3	30 of each year. In the case of any person who ceases,
14	prior to such date in any year, to occupy the office or posi-
<b>1</b> 5	tion the occupancy of which imposes upon him the reporting
16	requirements contained in subsection (a) shall file such
17	report on the last day he occupies such office or position, or
18	on such later date, not more than three months after such
19	last day, as the Comptroller General may prescribe.
20	(c) Reports required by this section shall be in such
21	form and detail as the Comptroller General may prescribe.
22	The Comptroller General may provide for the grouping of
23	items of income, sources of income, assets, liabilities, dealings
24	in securities or commodities, and purchases and sales of real
25	property, when separate itemization is not feasible or is not

- 1 necessary for an accurate disclosure of the income, net worth,
- 2 dealing in securities and commodities, or purchases and sales
- 3 of real property of any individual.
- 4 (d) Each report required by this section shall be made
- 5 under penalty for perjury. Any person who willfully fails
- 6 to file a report required by this section, or who knowingly
- 7 and willfully files a false report under this section, shall be
- 8 fined \$2,000, or imprisoned for not more than five years, or
- 9 both.
- 10 (e) All reports filed under this section shall be main-
- 11 tained by the Comptroller General as public records which.
- 12 under such reasonable regulations as he shall prescribe, shall
- 13 be available for inspection by members of the public.
- 14 (f) For the purposes of any report required by this
- 15 section, an individual shall be considered to have been a
- 16 Member of the Senate or House of Representatives, a Resi-
- 17 dent Commissioner, or an officer or employee of the execu-
- 18 tive or legislative branch of the Government of the United
- 19 States or any department or agency thereof, during any
- 20 calendar year if he served in any such position for more
- 21 than six months during such calendar year.
- 22 (g) As used in this section-
- 23 (1) The term "income" means gross income as defined
- 24 in section 61 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

- 1 (2) The term "security" means security as defined in
- 2 section 2 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (15
- 3 U.S.C. 77b).
- 4 (3) The term "commodity" means commodity as de-
- 5 fined in section 2 of the Commodity Exchange Act, as
- 6 amended (7 U.S.C. 2).
- 7 (4) The term "dealings in securities or commodities"
- 8 means any acquisition, holding, withholding, use, transfer,
- 9 disposition, or other transaction involving any security or
- 10 commodity.
- 11 CONFLICT-OF-INTEREST AMENDMENTS
- 12 SEC. 3. (a) Section 190 of the Revised Statutes (5
- 13 U.S.C. 99) is amended to read as follows:
- 14 "Sec. 190. It shall be unlawful for any individual who
- 15 has served in the position of Member of or Delegate to
- 16 the Congress, or of Resident Commissioner in the Congress,
- 17 or as an officer or employee in the executive branch of the
- 18 Government, to act as counsel, attorney, or agent for the
- 19 prosecution of any claim against the United States which was
- 20 pending in any department or agency of the United States
- 21 while he occupied such position or served as such officer or
- 22 employee, or to aid in any manner or by any means in the
- 23 prosecution of any such claim within two years after he shall
- 24 have ceased to serve in such position, office, or employment."

- 1 (b) The first paragraph of section 283 of title 18 of the
- 2 United States Code is amended to read as follows:
- 3 "Whoever, being a Member of or Delegate to the Con-
- 4 gress, a Resident Commissioner in the Congress, an officer
- 5 or employee of the United States or any department or
- 6 agency thereof, or an officer or employee of the Senate or
- 7 the House of Representatives, acts as an agent or attorney for
- 8 the prosecution of any claim against the United States, or aids
- 9 or assists in the prosecution or support of any such claim
- 10 otherwise than in the proper discharge of his official duties,
- 11 or receives any gratuity, or any share of or interest in any
- 12 such claim, shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or im-
- 13 prisoned not more than one year, or both."
- (c) The text of section 284 of title 18 of the United
- 15 States Code is amended to read as follows:
- 16 "Whoever, having served as a Member of or Delegate
- 17 to the Congress, a Resident Commissioner in the Congress, or
- 18 as an officer or employee of the United States or any depart-
- 19 ment or agency thereof (including any commissioned officer
- 20 assigned to duty in any such department or agency), within
- 21 two years after the time at which such service has ceased,
- 22 prosecutes, or acts as counsel, attorney, or agent for the prose-
- 23 cution of, any claim against the United States involving any
- 24 subject matter with which such person was directly concerned
- 25 in connection with his performance of such service, shall be

- 1 fined not more than \$10,000, or imprisoned not more than
- 2 one year, or both."
- 3 (d) The text of section 1901 of title 18 of the United
- 4 States Code is amended to read as follows:
- 5 "Whoever, being a Member of or Delegate to the Con-
- 6 gress, a Resident Commissioner in the Congress, or an offi-
- 7 cer of the United States or any department or agency
- 8 thereof concerned in the collection or the disbursement of the
- 9 revenues thereof, carries on any trade or business in the funds
- 10 or debts of the United States, or of any State, or in the public
- 11 property of either, shall be fined not more than \$3,000 or
- 12 imprisoned for not more than one year, or both; and shall be
- 13 removed from office, and be incapable of holding any office
- under the United States."
- (e) The text of section 1914 of title 18 of the United
- 16 States Code is amended to read as follows:
- 17 "Whoever, being a Member of or Delegate to the
- 18 Congress, a Resident Commissioner in the Congress, or an
- officer or employee of the United States or any department
- 20 or agency thereof, receives any salary in connection with his
- 21 services as such Member, Delegate, Commissioner, officer or
- 22 employee from any source other than the Government of
- 23 the United States, except as may be contributed out of the
- 24 treasury of any State, county, or municipality; or
- 25 "Whoever, whether a person, association, or corporation,

- 1 makes any contribution to, or in any way supplements the
- 2 salary of, any such Member, Delegate, Commissioner, officer
- 3 or employee for the services performed by him in the execu-
- 4 tion of his office or employment as such-
- 5 "shall be fined not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned

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